HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 969

By Holt

A RESOLUTION to commend Bruce Harbin for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Bruce Harbin is one such individual who has distinguished himself in his role as a legislative intern for Representative Andy Holt; Bruce's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators he assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a student at the University of Tennessee at Martin (UTM), where he is highly regarded by his peers, Mr. Harbin achieved academic success while majoring in Communications and Political Science, minoring in History, and participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including rendering sterling service as a staff writer, assistant news editor, and news editor of UTM's student newspaper, *The Pacer*, and as a staff writer for UTM's student yearbook magazine, *The Spirit*; and

WHEREAS, a man of faith, Mr. Harbin is an active and devout member of Rivergate Church of Christ, where he faithfully develops practice questions for Bible Bowl; and

WHEREAS, strongly committed to community and public service, Mr. Harbin endeavors to serve his fellow citizens through his support of Agape and Relay for Life; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, Bruce Harbin received UTM's Society of Professional Journalists Award in Excellence; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hardin's noteworthy achievements are a tremendous source of pride for his wife, Rachel Harbin, his parents, Royce and Laura Harbin, his sister, Emily Tyson, and his brother, Ben Harbin; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize himself with the characteristics and complexities of Tennessee state government, Bruce Harbin brought his many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2012 session of the One Hundred Seventh General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2012 legislative session, he has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Harbin has performed his many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Bruce Harbin for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Representative Andy Holt and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.